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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The question of appointments to office during the recess of Congress was discussed yesterday in the Senate. —— The House passed the army appropriation bill. —— U. S. monitor Amphitrite arrived at Charleston from Norfolk, after a stormy passage around Hatteras. —— July cotton sold in New Orleans at 16 cents flat. —— Fearful explosion in a coal mine near Pittsburg, Pa.; 184 men are entombed with little hope of rescue. —— E. N. Morrison & Co., bankers and brokers, Baltimore, have failed. —— John P. Goggin, treasurer of the Nashua Trust Co., arrested, charged with embezzling over $80,000. —— Lieut. Campbell W. Fiske, of the 23d infantry, killed by Moros in the Philippines. —— The Russo-Japanese situation is unchanged; no progress is being made in negotiations. —— It is said in St. Petersburg the Russian reply to Japan will possibly be ready this week. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 1½@2 per cent; cotton—quiet at 15.25c; flour was dull but firmly held; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 94c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 56c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 45c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 25.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 29 degrees; 8 P. M., 43 degrees; maximum, 52 degrees; minimum, 29 degrees; mean, 40 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 2.54 inches.

The stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Sunday was 14 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—For North Carolina: Rain Tuesday, colder in extreme west portion; Wednesday fair and colder; fresh east to southeast winds, becoming northwesterly.

Port Almanac—January 26.

Sun Rises	7.04 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.21 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 17 M.
High Water at Southport	1.44 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	4.14 P. M.

If Senator Foraker doesn't want to walk the plank, he had better keep off Senator Hanna's grass in Ohio.

It now seems that Democratic dark horse is to be trotted out to for President against the Republican darkey horse.

Flour is advancing sharply and it becomes more necessary than ever for us to "raise the dough" before we can have good bread.

The widow Rusher, of Illinois, has married a poet aged 25 years, who wrote poetry about her. We would head the account of the wedding "Rusher-Gusher."

"The Democratic nominee will be a dark horse," declares Col. Bryan. Now can't Wyllyamj tell us in what neck of the woods the steed is tethered?

The Atlanta *Constitution* says Virginia is to have a vagrancy law like that of Georgia. We are sorry to learn that things are as bad as that in Virginia.

A Milwaukee chemist has discovered that a "common dollar bill harbors 90,000 germs." If we had just a million dollar bills we'd be a millionaire Dutchman—or, that is, Germ-an.

An insufferably ugly woman desperado has kidnapped a good looking drug clerk of Miller, South Dakota. We see her finish now. She will be chloroformed and carried off in a tow sack.

Alas! Georgia has let Texas get ahead of it in having soil that pans out more radium than any other land in the world. The Georgia press agent is keeping too close to his Winter quarters.

Since Senator Hanna has announced that "we hold the ace," when discussing the ship subsidy scheme, the Shipbuilding Trust is making arrangements to reorganize and slip him him the other three aces for a "sight" in the graft pot.

We are sorry for the West Virginia man who held up a rival and relieved him of a marriage license while he was on his way to get married. The wrong man with a license wouldn't be any better off than a man with a fork at a soup frolic.

Now they have charges of grafting against Senator Burton. If Senator Tillman had known that when he was debating the race question with Burton, he never would have had cold feet in that notable skin game of theirs.

If Russia and Japan fight, China, if she hadn't gone too far with the dope business, might turn in and lick the conquering nation after it has worn itself out thrashing the other. In this way only can China keep herself from being the loser, if either Japan or Russia win.

LOCAL DOTS.

— German barque "Carl" and schooner "Massachusetts," hence with cargoes, passed out at Southport at noon to-day.

— Former pupils of Miss Amy Bradley are asked not to forget the meeting in the "Upper Room" of the Tileston building to-night.

— The date for the grand anniversary ball of the Howard Relief Company in its handsome club rooms, Front and Orange streets, is February 10th.

— The river steamer "Highlander" arrived from Fayetteville Sunday night. The "City of Fayetteville" will be down this morning and return this afternoon.

— Rev. J. C. Williams will arrive to-day from Beaufort, N. C., and will conduct revival services at Bladen street church the remainder of the week. Services at 7:30 each night.

— General Passenger Agent W. J. Craig, of the A. C. L. system, has issued a handsome folder descriptive of the company's New York and Florida special train and the country through which the route lies.

— Judge Hoke has set aside the verdict of the jury at Elizabeth City, awarding plaintiff $4,000 damages in the Winters suit against the Coast Line. The case will come up at the next term of Pasquotank court.

— Two large congregations heard two fine sermons in the First Baptist church by Rev. F. D. Hale, of Kansas City, Sunday, and a third last night. Dr. Hale will preach again to-night and to-morrow night.

— Iredell Meares, receiver for the Inter-State Building and Loan Association, yesterday sold at auction the Strauss property on Walnut, between Sixth and Seventh streets. It was bid in by N. Jacobi for $1,305.

— Mr. B. B. Witherington, a prominent citizen of Duplin, died Saturday of pneumonia, at his home in Falson, aged 47 years. A wife and three children survive him. The funeral was conducted Sunday.

— The shad benches at Front street market house were rented on the cash premium plan by Chairman M. G. Tiencken, of the Market Committee, yesterday at noon. The prices received were very satisfactory.

— At 12:10 P. M. yesterday the Department responded to a telephone alarm of fire from Tenth and Market streets. A blaze had been started in the stables and carriage house of Mr. Albert Sieljes at the rear of his store, on Tenth and Market. The origin of the fire is unknown. The damage was trifling.

HI HENRY'S BIG MINSTRELS.

Famous Old Organization Will be Here on Monday Night Next.

The Famous Hi. Henry's Big City Minstrel Aggregation of all star performers will appear at the Academy next Monday night.

This organization is one of the oldest and most successful in the minstrel line, and has a reputation reaching from ocean to ocean. They carry a car load of special scenery, removing all the house scenes to make room for their special sets. They travel, it is said, in a special train of private palace cars said to be the finest show cars in the world. They will give a swell parade at noon with locomobile exhibition by the star expert Mr. J. E. Jackson, of New York city. Mr. Hi. Henry has probably the finest St. Bernard dog in America valued at $5,000, which also accompanies their parades. Again at night they give a free classic concert. Their entertainment is said to be one of the best ever presented. Seats will be on sale at Plummer's Saturday. Prices 25 cents to $1.

Salesman's Mind Impaired.

The friends of Mr. A. W. Rivenbark, who was lately employed as a clerk in the store of Messrs. Sternberger Bros., on North Front street, will regret to know that on Sunday his mind became so impaired that members of his family thought best that he should be taken into custody until arrangements can be made for his transfer to a hospital for the insane. Col. Jno. D. Taylor, clerk of the Superior Court, and Mr. Rivenbark's physician, visited the unfortunate man Sunday afternoon and took the necessary legal steps toward having him admitted to one of the State institutions. He is now confined in the county jail where he is being made as comfortable as possible.

Pythian Debate.

Knights of Pythias are asked not to forget the joint debate on the compulsory benefit feature of the order in Castle Hall to-night. The exercises will be instructive and entertaining. Refreshments will be served. Members of the order, whether in good standing or not, are cordially invited.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Atlantic National Bank—Report.
Murchison National Bank—Report.
John M. Wright—Order a case beer.
Atlantic Trust and Banking Co.—Statement.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Statement.
Academy of Music—"The Village by the Sea.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Special representative.
The Only Restaurant—Prepared.
Wanted—Posi'n as assis't bookkeeper

ON TRIAL THURSDAY.

S. Hill Terry Will Face Jury of His Peers Day After To-morrow Afternoon.

A SPECIAL VENIRE OF 250.

Preliminaries of Noted Case Settled at Opening Session of Superior Court Yesterday—Busy Day Before Judge Ferguson.

The trial of S. Hill Terry, charged with the murder of his son-in-law, George Tate Bland, at the latter's home on North Fourth street, this city, last September, will be commenced in the Superior Court Thursday afternoon of this week at 3 o'clock. A special venire of 250 freeholders of the county, from which to select a jury of twelve men, was drawn by order of the court yesterday morning and members of it are being summoned to appear at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Those preliminaries to one of the most noted murder trials in the history of the city were arranged upon the organization of court for a three weeks term, Judge Ferguson presiding, yesterday morning. The defendant, with his counsel, Messrs. Bellamy & Bellamy, Jno. H. Gore, of Russell & Gore, W. P. Gafford, Brooke G. Empie and A. J. Marshall, were present when the preliminaries were arranged and appeared satisfied as to all points of decision. The State was likewise content, though Solicitor Duffy expressed a desire to get into the trial a day earlier if possible. There were present of the counsel for the prosecution: Solicitor Duffy and his law partner, E. M. Koonce, Esq., of Jacksonville; Messrs. Lewis and Schulken, of Whiteville; Woodus Kellum and J. F. Sellars, Esq., of Wilmington.

The defendant Terry appeared in court with perfect composure and showing little ill effects of his long confinement. He has all along relied strongly upon an innate consciousness that he is going to be acquitted. He was formally arraigned at a former term of court and Judge Ferguson asked the solicitor if the State was ready. The following witnesses were then called by Mr. Kellum, a majority of them having answered, viz: J. D. Barnes, Mathew Rivenbark, Jno. D. Bellamy, Walter Gaylor, Jordan Branch, Dr. J. T. Schonwald, Ed. Brice, A. G. Hankins, Willie Perry, Harry Thomas, Reese Holmes, W. F. Burton, Toney Swain, Joseph Wilson, G. S. Phillips, Jesse J. Brown, Henry Jones, Carrie Artis, L. F. Harper, James Sadgwar, Chas. Dunston, F. J. Gooding and Eugene Knight. About 90 witnesses in all have been summoned in the case and the trial will be a long one. Those above are the principal ones for the State.

Solicitor Duffy said the State was ready with the case and was of the opinion that it could be reached not later than Wednesday morning. Mr. Bellamy replied that it was immaterial with the defendant when the trial commenced but a venire of the s'zs required could not be summoned by the sheriff in so short a time as indicated by Mr. Duffy. Sheriff Stedman was present and said he would put on a force of extra deputies, but he believed it would be impossible to summon a venire of 250 before Thursday afternoon. Mr. Bellamy suggested that the case be set for trial Thursday at 3 o'clock, making a venire of 250 returnable at 2:30 o'clock, and that suggestion was adopted by Judge Ferguson and agreed to by the State. Judge Ferguson then made the following

OFFICIAL ORDER.

State vs. Terry. } In Superior Court.

The defendant, S. Hill Terry, having been brought into open court, and this case having been called for trial, the Solicitor for the State having announced his readiness for trial and the defendant having announced his willingness to try, and it being deemed necessary to a fair and impartial trial of this case that a special venire facias of 250 persons be drawn whose names shall be drawn from the jury boxes of the county of New Hanover, it is ordered that the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners for said county of New Hanover bring into open court forihwith the jury boxes of said county, and the number of scrolls above specified, to-wit.: 250 freeholders shall be drawn from box No. 1 by a child under ten years of age, as provided by statute.

G. S. FERGUSON, Judge.

DRAWING THE VENIRE.

The provisions of the order having been complied with and the box placed in front of the Judge's desk by Register of Deeds Biddle in person, the drawing of a venire was begun a few minutes before 1 o'clock—a tedious process. The Supreme Court's decision in the Register murder case that the only persons competent to sit on a jury in capital felony cases are freeholders, was argued by the State. Accordingly the Court decided that only free-holders would be allowed to sit on the jury in the Terry case. The county tax books were brought in the court room for reference, when defendant's counsel made the point that the fact that the names were in the jury box was prima facie evidence that the names were those of free-holders, if the law had been carried out in revising the list and there was no presumption otherwise. It was also argued by defendant's counsel that the tax books did not contain the name of all free-holders, inasmuch as many own a cemetery lot or their wives are holders of property. Judge Ferguson sustained those points and the drawing of the venire was completed in about an hour and a half. The list of 250 was at once furnished the sheriff and deputies are serving the summons as rapidly as possible.

THE RIGHT OF CHALLENGE.

Of the special venire drawn, the State on Thursday will have four peremptory challenges and the defendant will have 28. But in addition to the four challenges allowed the State, it has the right to stand to the foot of the column 10 per cent, of the venire, or 25 out of the 250, until all the rest are called. If the twelve men are chosen when the 250 venire is exhausted, the State will have in effect 29 challenges. If the 12 men are not selected when the 250 are called, then the State will have to choose from those it has caused to be stood to the foot of the panel. Many believe that another venire of 250 will have to be selected before a jury is empanelled. It is stated that the mere fact that one has formed or expressed an opinion of the case does not necessarily debar him if he can state that after hearing the evidence he can give a fair and impartial trial.

J. W. COOPER FINED $100.

Next in interest to the arrangements for the Terry case in the court proceedings yesterday, was the trial of J. W. Cooper, the A. C. L. carpenter, who slashed Jno. G. Kuhlken in the neck at the store of the latter's brother in Brooklyn a week or ten days ago. Cooper was not represented by counsel and entered a submission. After hearing the testimony of Mr. Kuhlken Judge Ferguson fined Cooper $100 and costs. Later in the day special appeals were made in behalf of Cooper and Judge Ferguson remitted the fine. He said he understood Cooper wanted to go to Jacksonville, Fla., and begin life anew, and if so, he was willing, for the sake of the prisoner's wife and children, to give the husband a chance. However, the matter was left open and Mr. S. W. Sanders gave the necessary bond for Cooper's release from jail, pending the arrangements for a settlement.

DISORDERLY HOUSE CASES.

The thirty-odd cases of selling liquor without license and on Sunday against keepers of alleged disorderly houses to the number of about 15 were set for trial at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The proceedings are of interest from the fact that the cases are being prosecuted by the Law and Order League, which has employed Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy and Thos. W. Davis, Esq., to carry on the crusade. They are backed by an aggressive city administration. The defendants are represented by other leading attorneys of the local bar. There was a hint yesterday that some sort of a compromise was on tapis but Solicitor Duffy said yesterday afternoon that he knew of no such arrangement. Two of the defendants—Cecil Livingston and Mabel Carlton—failed to answer to their names when called yesterday.

TWO CIVIL SUITS.

During the day yesterday two civil suits were dismissed upon compromise agreement. They were F. Rheinstein vs. Aaron Edwards and J. C. Stevenson Co. vs. A. E. Martin.

Court met at 10 o'clock, all court officers in attendance. Of the 36 jurors ordered summoned for the week, the sheriff returned 29 summoned and as not found: Robert J. Farrow, W. R. King, G. D. Pugh, Walter Farrow, J. A. Dean, J. C. Hankins and W. O. Meeks. Those excused were as follows: David Rountree, J. L. Toon, C. R. Spooner, T. J. Pratt, J. F. Stanland, J. S. Canady, L. L. Boon Jno. Millinor and J. W. Perrin. H. C. Twining was excused until Wednesday.

The following grand jury with Mr. H. A. Bagg as foreman was duly empanelled: C. W. Bishop, T. C. Rhodes, G. W. Penny, Hiram Jenkins, E. N. Edens, Jno. E. Robinson, Elijah A. Orrell, W. A. Smith, C. H. O'Berry, B. B. Jackson, W. E. Koonce, J. W. Stormfeltz, A. W. Gaskins, Jno. Swinson. A. A. Brown, J. B. J. Sandlin and A. S. Winstead. W. R. Smith was placed in charge of the jury as bailiff.

It was ordered by the court that 22 jurors be drawn for to-day under the Act of 1885.

The following unimportant cases were disposed of:

John Turner and Mary Cronly, colored, f. and a.; nol pros.

William Temple, selling liquor on Sunday; nol pros.

B. F. Brittain, assault with deadly weapon; called and failed; judgment nisi sci fa.

W. H. Jordan, assault with deadly weapon; submitted; $15 fine and costs.

John Johnson, removing crop; pleaded guilty; costs.

Jake Green, abandonment; pleaded guilty; six months on roads.

Richard Crawford, assault with deadly weapon; 40 days on roads.

Mary Jane Williams, larceny; pleaded guilty; four months in jail, with leave to hire out.

Caroline Jones, wilful injury to personal property of Jim Teachey; not guilty.

W. H. Robinson, assault with deadly weapon; pleaded guilty; 60 days on roads.

John Grady, two counts of gambling; guilty as to one; hearing continued as to other.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS.

Joe Kirkham, resisting Officer Frank George; verdict not guilty at 9:30 o'clock last night.

At 6:30 o'clock court took a recess until 10 A. M. to-day.

Called to Hickory Church.

Rev. C. W. Trawick, the popular pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian church, has under advisement a call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church in Hickory, N. C. It is earnestly hoped by the Christian people of Wilmington at large that Rev. Mr. Trawick will see his way clear to remain here.

Although spot cotton is 15c per lb. you will think it just as low as it was last January if you attend the white sale at Rehder's this week. †

SHELL FISH INDUSTRY

Wilmington Dealer Brings Injunction to Prevent Collection of Special Tax on Clams.

BEFORE JUDGE FERGUSON.

Constitutionality of Legislative Act of 1903 Attacked and Commissioner Enjoined from Carrying It Into Effect—Final Hearing.

As counsel for Messrs Brooks & Taylor, of this city, Messrs. Russell & Gore, attorneys, last night secured from Judge Ferguson, holding Superior Court here, a restraining order enjoining Shell Fish Commissioner Luther C. Tripp and all sub shell fish commissioners of Brunswick county and their agents, from collecting the tax of three cents per bushel imposed by the last Legislature on all clams shipped from their jurisdiction by the plaintiffs. The restraining order was made returnable before Judge Robt. B Peebles, holding court at Lumberton, N. C., on February 15th. At that time the question of granting a permanent injunction will come up and the validity of the law in question will be passed upon. The amount involved is the tax of three cents upon about 25,000 bushels of clams and shell fish shipped from Brunswick county each year.

The grounds upon which the case will be fought by Messrs. Russell & Gore is the non-uniformity and discrimination of the tax, the same being declared in violation of Sec. 3, Article 5, of the Constitution of North Carolina and contrary to the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. The case will likely reach the Supreme Court before the matter is finally adjudicated.

The act in question was passed by the last General Assembly and is entitled "An Act to promote and protect the shell fish industries in Brunswick county." The law requires that immediately upon the passage of the act, the Governor shall appoint a qualified voter of the county who shall be styled the "Shell Fish Commissioner of Brunswick County," who shall qualify within 60 days. The Governor appointed Mr. Tripp, against whom the restraining order is now brought. The commissioner receives a salary of $400 per year from all taxes collected by him under the act, and two subcommissioners, whom he is empowered to appoint, receive a salary of $25 per month during the time they are engaged. A bond of $500 is required of each. The tax imposed by the act is "three cents per bushel on all clams and two cents per bushel on all oysters in the shell and two cents per gallon on all shucked oysters shipped out of the county." The tax, after salaries are paid, is payable to the State Treasurer. Each shipper of clams or oysters is required to keep a record of all shipments, said record to be always open for the inspection of the commissioners. The penalty for violating all or any part of the law is a fine of $25 for each infraction or imprisonment for thirty day. The act is chapter 414 of the Public Laws of 1903, and applies only to Brunswick county.

REGISTER TRIED TO ESCAPE.

While Storm Howled Friday Night He Sawed Bars of His Cell in Jail.

News reached the city yesterday of an unsuccessful attempt by Jabel Register to break jail at Whiteville on last Friday night. Register is condemned to die on February 25th and although he had been carefully watched by those who had charge of him, he managed in some way to conceal in his shoe sole and between the lining of an old valise to which he had access, two pieces of steel which he proceeded to use as saws in filing the bars of his cell. He chose the very opportune midnight hour and on the particular night on which he made the attempt a fierce wind and rain storm was raging on the outside, so that the grating sound did not reach the ears of the jailor asleep under the same roof.

Register had almost accomplished his task of filing one of the bars in two when one of his fellows prisoners became alarmed and began to rap loudly for the jailor. The officer awoke and reached the cell of Register in time to prevent his escape.

MILLION AND HALF CARGO.

Largest and Most Valuable Ship Load of Cotton Ever Exported from Here

Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son cleared yesterday evening the British steamer "Oceano," Captain Davies, for Liverpool with 17,038 bales of cotton valued at one million and a quarter dollars. This is the largest and most valuable cargo of cotton ever shipped out of the port of Wilmington, being 38 bales larger than that of the steamer "Anglo Saxon," which they cleared for Bremen about a month ago.

The loading of this cargo in the face of apparently insurmountable difficulties, the great scarcity of cotton with an excited and irregular market, may be regarded as one of the most remarkable commercial incidents of this port. Captain Davies expects to proceed on his voyage this morning between 11 and 12 o'clock.

You will need lots of white goods. Why not secure them now at last year's prices. Rehder's white lace this week is a great opportunity for saving. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. O. L. Clark, of Clarkton, was here yesterday.

— Hon. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, arrived last night.

— Rev. J. P. King and wife returned yesterday from Jacksonville, Fla.

— Mr. C. B. Wright, of Raleigh, the popular travelling man, is at The Orton.

— Col. N. A. McLean, of Lumberton, arrived yesterday on professional business.

— Friends will regret to know that Capt. DeLeon Fillyaw is quite ill with pneumonia.

— Postoffice Inspector W. S. McGrimes, of Washington, arrived last night from Charlotte.

— Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Penny and Mrs. L. D. Bradshaw, of Mullins, S. C., are visiting relatives in the city.

— Many friends of Capt. William Blanks were very glad to see him able to be down town yesterday, after a severe illness of two months.

—Mr. C. F. Nurnberger, formerly a popular clerk in the Western Union here, left last night for Norfolk, where he will take a position with Armour & Co.

— Messrs. David J. Lewis and J. B. Schulken, of Whiteville, who were here yesterday as counsel for the State in the Terry case, returned home this morning.

HEARING IN CHAMBERS THURSDAY.

Permanency of Receiver of Gay Lumber Co., of Kinston, Will be Heard Here.

Hon. James H. Pou, of Raleigh, was here yesterday to confer with Judge Garland S. Ferguson relative to the hearing of an important proceeding before him in chambers here next Thursday. The action to be heard is a petition to make permanent an order by Judge O. H. Allen, at Kinston last week, appointing Mr. J. W. Grainger temporary receiver for the Gay Lumber Co., of Kinston. The plaintiffs are the Hickson Lumber Company, Commercial and Farmers' Bank of Raleigh, James H. Pou and wife, Annie W. Pou, Bank of Kinston, E. P. Wooten and J. Hickson, Jr. J. W. Lynch and W. D. Pollock and B. W. Canady, assignees of S. H. Loftin, are made co defendants.

The plaintiffs are creditors of the defendant company and set forth that the indebtedness of the company, secured and unsecured, is approximately $70,000, with assets believed to be greatly in excess of this amount and with proper and judicious management complete liquidation can be made without injury to any creditors.

Among the largest creditors of the company are: James H. Pou and wife, $20,000; S. H. Loftin, $12,500, and the Commercial and Farmers' Bank, of Raleigh. The mill will not be closed, but will continue to be operated by the receiver. The hearing before Judge Ferguson is upon the permanency of the receiver, who has given $10,000 for the faithful discharge of his duty.

NAVAL STORES AND COTTON.

Spirits Turpentine Weakening — Cotton Continues Its Mad Flight Upward.

"According to the opinion of the most conservative naval stores factors, the present attitude of turpentine is notably weak, and they are inclined to the opinion that a break is bound to occur in the market within the next few days," says the Savannah *News*. This is based on the fact of a cessation of demand, and also that the receipts continue very light, which is a reason for a lack of interest both with buyers and sellers. Rosin continues strong at a good advance. On the Wilmington market there was nothing doing yesterday.

The situation in the cotton market is described by brokers as being "crazy" and futures under present conditions a good thing to let alone. New York spot went to 15.25 yesterday and the local market in sympathy therewith went to 14½ cents. The receipts here yesterday were 817 bales against 838 same day last year. The tone of the market is steady.

SLASHING AFFAIR INVESTIGATED.

Number of Defendants Before the Mayor. Bound Over to Superior Court.

In the police court yesterday John Young, colored, charged with badly slashing the negro Shed Hicks on the arm with a razor Saturday afternoon, was held for the higher court in a bond of $50. Andrew McLean, colored, charged with resisting Policeman Frank George when in company with Mr. W. R. Terry he went to arrest Hicks, was also bound over to the Superior Court in the sum of $50. In default of bond, both negroes went to jail. Hicks was subsequently taken before Justice Fowler and held in a further bond of $100 for carrying a concealed weapon.

Other cases before the Mayor yesterday were: Zack Taylor, colored, drunk and down, $10 and costs; Alex. Malleti, drunk and disorderly, $5 and costs; Jim Green, fighting, $30 and costs; J. W. Randall, fast driving, $5 and costs; Jennie Lou and "Lady" Davis, disorderly conduct, $5 and costs each.

Were you in the crowd yesterday at Rehder's? If not you should be there to-day and see the dainty and pretty embroideries and white goods at reduced prices. Remember the white sale is for this week only. †

Order a Case To-day.

THERE IS NONE BETTER.

Darley Park Brewery

EXTRA

Pale Beer.

A High Grade Malt and Hop Brew.

Improves appetite and aids digestion.

John M. Wright,

DISTRIBUTING AGENT,

jan 26 4t 319 Nutt Street.

STATEMENT OF THE

Atlantic Trust and Banking Company,

Wilmington, N. C.

At close of business, January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from report to Corporation Commission. Began business: September, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$324,368 54	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00	Undivided profits	12,223 61
Cash on hand and in Banks	19,986 93	Deposits	342,782 86
Total	$404,995 47	Total	$404,995 47

MATT J. HEYER, President. B. H. J. AHRENS, Vice President
MITCHELL F. ALLEN, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:
L. B. Rogers, B. Solomon, B. H. J. Ahrens, R. R. Bellamy, Martin O'Brien, I. M. Bear, John H. Kuck, D. McEachern, C. W. Yates, J. G. L. Gieschen, Matt J. Heyer. jan 26 1f

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The Murchison National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C.,

At close of business Jan. 22, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,390,218 59	Capital	$ 300,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	250,000 00	Surplus and net profits	113,041 46
Bank Building	20,000 00	Circulation	200,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	663,708 80	Deposits	1,520,436 33
	$2,133,477 79		$2,133,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits.
Jan. 22nd, 1903, $787,565 76. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,394,813 99 Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,520,436 33.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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Statement of

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

108 Princess Street.

At close of business January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from Report to State Corporation Commission.)

ASSETS.			LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts		$16,650.15	Capital	$ 25,000.00
Cash on hand and due from banks		319,580 57	Net Surplus	77,474.62 1,102,474 62
Real estate		1,900.00	Deposits	1,004,238.09
Furniture and Fixtures	$2.00	1,902.00		
Total		$1,187,032.72	Total	$1,107,309.71

OFFICERS:
J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President
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H. Walters, J. V. Grainger, J. W. Yates, N. B. Rankin, D. O'Conner, Donald MacRae, H. L. Voliers, J. W. Norwood, C. E. Taylor, Jr. jan 26 4f.

MR. WILLIAM STRUTHERS RESIGNS.

Wilmingtonian Gave Up Good Government Position to Engage in Truck Farming.

It became known yesterday, with some degree of authenticity, that Mr. William Struthers had resigned his position as second deputy collector and clerk in the Custom House here. The resignation takes effect at once and the appointment of his successor by the Treasury Department at Washington, upon the recommendation of Collector Keith, is expected in a week or ten days. The duties of the office are only nominal and the salary attached is $1,400 per year. In a few days the fight for the place between local Republicans is expected to divide honors with the postoffice contest.

Mr. Struthers had been on a leave of absence for some time and has already removed with his family to a fine truck farm which he owns at Grista, Columbus county, N. C., and to which he will devote his entire time in the future. Upon the lapse of Mr. Struthers' leave of absence, he sent in his resignation to the collector here and it will be forwarded to Washington as to his successor.

COMPANY OPENED WELL.

Edsall-Winthrope at Academy of Music. Strong Specialties—To-night's Bill.

To almost a "standing-room-only" audience the Edsall-Winthrope Company made its debut in Wilmington last night at the Academy, inaugurating a week's engagement. The comedy drama, "Brother Against Brother," was presented and greatly pleased. Between acts the finest line of specialties ever given here by a repertoire company was introduced, and each won several encores. Especially good were the illustrated songs and the work of the dancing teams.

To-night the company will present the well known nautical drama, "The Village by the Sea," and in conjunction with the production will be given another splendid vaudeville programme. The only matinee will be given Saturday afternoon.

Heavy Fertilizer Movement.

Shipments of fertilizer which began several weeks ago are growing heavier and heavier every day and the movement promises to be unusually heavy this season. The railroads will be taxed to furnish the necessary cars to handle the business with despatch and already complaints are heard in some quarters of the fertilizers producing section. During the past week there has been a decided increase in the movement and solid trains are being sent over the railroads almost daily. The prevailing high prices of cotton will no doubt cause a big increase in the acreage this season and the more cotton planted, the more guano is required to fertilize it.

REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.			LIABILITIES.		
Loans and discounts		$ 990,214 80	Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		343 92	Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00	Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	70,137 87	195,137 87
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173,800 00	National Bank notes outstanding		125,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc		32,000 00	Due to other National Banks		180,787 86
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00	Due to State Banks and Bankers		250,468 72
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00	Dividends unpaid		415 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		92,453 45	Individual deposits subject to check		730,592 18
Due from State Banks and Bankers		133,417 94	Cashiers checks outstanding		20,689 96
Due from approved reserve agents		107,066 25	United States deposits		178,300 00 1,336,650 92
Notes of other National Banks	$35,020 00		Total		$1,803,788 09
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,961 83				
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$10,500 00				
Legal tender notes	$81,000 00	$106,951 68			
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		5,400 00			
Total		$1,803,788 09			

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November, 1903.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 26.

THE RECIPROCITY POLICY AND THE TARIFF LEAGUE.

While the Cuban reciprocity bill was under consideration during the extra session of Congress, the STAR remarked that the policy of reciprocity was the next best thing that the Democratic party stands for, and we urged that unless some very essential amendments to the Cuban bill were desirable, the Democrats in Congress would be inconsistent if they did not vote for the measure. Of course most all the Democratic senators and representatives finally voted for the bill after it had been buffetted about by speech-making until it was finally landed safely in the regular session. It is fair to presume that the same thing will be done as to the Panama canal treaty.

Reciprocity is a step in the direction of tariff reduction, which the Democratic party stands for, but we rather think the reciprocity scheme has not been interpreted in accord with the principles laid down by the late eminent James G. Blaine, who was the father of the reciprocity policy. When the reciprocity bill was put forward, there was a growing demand throughout the United States for tariff reduction and the Republican party had to throw out some such sop as reciprocity in order to appease the demand for less burdensome import duties.

In adopting a reciprocity policy the Republican party fell back from its recognized position on the tariff question. It was a concession that the Democratic party's demands were based on reasonable grounds.

The STAR's telegraphic news a few days ago announced that at the annual meeting of the American Protective Tariff League in New York, the League took the radical position that all reciprocity treaties or agreements are "unsound in principle, pernicious in practice and condemned by experience," to quote from the address issued by the League. Thus we see that with the Republican party hedging on the tariff, the American Protective Tariff League is the last refuge of the original protection policy which insisted upon "the doctrine and policy of protection to all industry and labor."

In commenting upon the Leagues' proposition that there should be "no reciprocity in competitive products," the New York *Journal Commerce and Commercial Bull* ., doubtless the most able American authority on economic questions, says:

"It declares this in regard to "reciprocity in competitive products," but there is no other reciprocity worth negotiating about. Where there is no competition in products there is no place for protection and nothing to concede, no chance for give and take, and reciprocity would be confined to countries that would find no benefit in it. There would be no place for it between industrial and commercial nations, since nearly all their products must necessarily compete on some terms.

"We do not compete with China in producing tea or with Brazil in propucing India rubber. We have to import these things and would never put a duty upon them except for revenue. What would those countries gain more than we by any particular adjustment of such duties, except possibly some advantage over other exporting countries? Why should we be concerned to give one tea-producing or rubber-producing country an advantage over another? England and Germany produce no cotton, but need a good deal of it. They would be foolish to put a duty upon it, but they might do so as a basis for reciprocity in order to get a concession from us by lowering the duty; but what non-competitive product is there upon which we could make a corresponding reduction? If there is any such product that we want, we probably have no duty upon it or one imposed only for revenue, and the only object we could have in changing it would be to favor one country at the expense of another.

"The Protective Tariff League in condemning reciprocity in competitive products reduces all reciprocity to absurdity. Its 'doctrine and policy' carried to its logical conclusion would exclude from markets all 'competitive products' of foreign origin by absolutely prohibitive duties, which would yield no revenue at all. Then it would raise all customs revenues from duties on non-competitive products—that is, articles which we do not produce. There could be reciprocity only in these, and there would be no object in that. We should have our home market all to ourselves, but before long we should have little other, our foreign trade being confined chiefly to tropical and Oriental countries, or undeveloped regions of the earth. Our industries would breed in and in with the very narrow outlets for their product, and would soon lose their vigor. We should be on our way to the condition of China a hundred years ago. Doubtless the League imagines that we would continue to export without importing, to sell without buying, but what they think we would get or pay it is difficult to conceive. But they are right when they say that reciprocity is inconsistent with their 'doctrine and policy" of protection, for it is intended to be a mitigation of that. They are opposed to having it mitigated and are quite consistent in their faith."

The American Protective Tariff League is an element of the Republican party, but the statesmen of that party have wisely steered it away from the brick wall which the League would have the party to butt out its brains against. Reciprocity reduced to its analysis is the Republican party's policy of a protective tariff with incidental reduction of duties, while the Democratic party has as wisely left behind its free trade theory and advocates a tariff for revenue, with incidental protection.

The contention of the American people is mainly over these two brief but plain propositions of differing fiscal policies.

Mrs. Reed Smoot, wife of the Mormon Senator, is showing herself around Washington to let the folks see that she is the only wife in evidence. Probably she thinks she is the only wife and if the Congress of Mothers shows that the Senator has not confined himself to the single standard of uxorial felicities, something will be doing at the Smoot boarding house. Phew!

A milk trust under the name of the Chicago Dairy Company has been organized by Chicago capitalists under laws of the State of Maine, for the purpose of controling the milk supply of the Windy City. The capital stock is $4,000,000 and it will be "watered," of course, as the dairymen know their business.

If it is the policy of the United States government to continue to follow the injunction of George Washington to avoid all entangling foreign alliances, it is about time for us to quit browsing too far from the old tethering grounds where the "fathers" supposed they had left us safely hitched up.

CURRENT COMMENT.

——The Florida Daughters of the Confederacy join their Texas sisters in felicitating President Roosevelt on his recognition of the principle of secession in the Panama incident. The President seems to be getting all that is coming to him out of his isthmian experience.—*Chattanooga Times.*

—— The President can hardly pretend that he holds a commission from "collective civilization" to do anything in its behalf. Before he goes further, he had better seek some authority from a sort of world congress, or conference of authorized representative of collective civilization, otherwise some fretful .ealm may refuse to be held in awe.—*Danville Register.*

—— It is very much feared that the new society, which declares social ostracism for divorcees, wearers of decollete gowns, gamblers, including bridge whist players, and users of liquors, has, to use a vulgar phrase, bitten off more than it can chew. A society that would force its kind into foregoing certain customs which do not happen to be in accordance with its idea of morality, by ostracism, takes a bold step, but one that is not in harmony with individual freedom of thought and act.—*Boston Herald.*

—— Russia, which had freed its serfs before we emancipated our slaves, has now anticipated our most advanced factory legislation with a law providing compulsory compensation for employes sustaining injuries of any kind while at work. If the accident proves fatal an annuity is payable to the widow or children. This annuity, which is to equal the employe's wages for 260 days every year, is seen to be very liberal. Perhaps the most interesting aspect of the law is that it is passed in the interest of labor with imperial consent at a time when the government is giving the strongest encouragement to manufactures.—*New York World.*

—— A correspondent of the Winston *Republican* says that in the last election in this State there were only 5,000 colored voters registered, and that 3,000 of them voted the Democratic ticket; that the Republicans polled 69,000 votes, 67,000 of which are obliged to have been cast by white men. That is a nice nucleus upon which to build a party, and there are many excellent men in the Republican party in North Carolina—as good men as there are in any party; but there is no hope of an organization which hasn't an idea above trafficking in offices and quarrelling over them, and thinks that the chief end of man is to get a political job.—*Charlotte Observer.*

—— We do not know how many Legislatures of Southern States passed resolutions denouncing Great Britain's war upon the Boers. Many of the people of the South, and many of the people of the North as well, thought the extinction of the Boer republics was a monstrous crime. Now Southern Legislatures adopt resolutions instructing their senators to vote for the treaty which consummates the outrage on Colombia. Sometimes the spokesmen of the South express disapproval of the President's course, but they say nevertheless that we must build the canal—that we must put to profitable use the fruits of our dishonorable policy. They condone the wrong, and they condone it in a particularly unworthy and contemptible fashion — *New York Times.*

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. Only 25c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

Catarrh and Hay Fever.

Liquid Cream Balm is becoming quite as popular in many localities as Ely's Cream Balm solid. It is prepared for use in atomizers, and is highly prized by those who have been accustomed to call upon physicians for such a treatment. Many physicians are using and prescribing it. All the medicinal properties of the celebrated Cream Balm are contained in the Liquid form, which is 75 cts., including a spraying tube. All druggists, or by mail. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York.

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First sign of RHEUMATISM. Dangerous to let it run. Easy to cure now. A single bottle of

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Will probably do the work. Bad cases require more. RHEUMACIDE cures by getting rid of the cause, so that no trace of the disease lingers in the system. It purifies the blood, relieves the inflammation of the kidneys, the chronic constipation and the catarrh that follows such a condition of the system.

Though Mrs. Mary F. Welborn, of High Point, N. C., is 80 years old and had suffered from rheumatism for 20 years, she was completely cured by RHEUMACIDE, and declares she feels "years younger" and is anxious for "all who are suffering from any of the forms of this dread disease" to try RHEUMACIDE and be cured.

REV. J. R. WHEELER, a noted Methodist minister, of Reisterstown, Md., writes enthusiastically of RHEUMACIDE, which cured him. He is 75 years old and has been in the ministry 50 years.

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"GETS AT THE JOINTS FROM THE INSIDE."

TWINKLINGS.

— "De moral poverty of human nature," said Uncle Eben, "is shown by de number of folks dis season dat is gwinter have to git along wid deir las' season's New Year's resolutions made over." —*Washington Star.*

— Teacher—Can any little boy tell me why these are the shortest days in the year? Tommy Smart Pop says it's because you have to spend so much money for Christmas presents these days.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "Persons who are complaining that they had no good luck last year," remarked the Observer of Events and Things, "may console themselves with the thought that the figures in 1903, added, make 13." —*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Mrs. Gummey—Is Mrs. Cumso as really philanthropic as she pretends? Mrs. Gargoyle—I should say so. Why, she even invites her poor relations to her receptions.—*Town Topics.*

— Edith—Just think! Here's a new thought, professor, that teaches that one can become beautiful by persistently thinking herself beautiful. Irene—Oh, pshaw! We could point out so many instances to the contrary.—*Smart Set.*

— He: We must economize. Suppose, darling, that you try your hand at making your own clothes. She: Oh, George, dear; I never could do that. Suppose I begin by trying to make yours?—*New Yorker.*

— The second half was nearly played and nobody killed yet. The crowd was impatient and ugly. "Perhaps a grand stand will collapse," faltered the management, looking anxiously out over the sea of sullen faces and hoping against hope.—*Puck.*

— Aunt Matilda—Well, who'd 'er thought Pierpont Morgan would have to go to work at the stockyards. Uncle Ezra—is he broked in 'er workin'? Aunt Matilda—Yes, I see by ther paper thet he has been leadin' the bulls, waterin' stock an' skinnin' lambs!—*Butte Inter-Mountain.*

— Mr. Subbubs—I sent a girl to see you from the employment agency this morning. Did she call? Mrs. Subbubs—Yes, she interviewed me. Mr. Subbubs—And will she take the place? Mrs. Subbubs—I hope so. She was pleased to say she thought I would be "respectful" to her.—*Philadelphia Press.*

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., January 26.

SCHOONERS.

Ralph M Hayward, 529 tons, Trimm, C D Mafflt.
Brine P Pendleton, 821 tons, Hutchinson, C D Mafflt.
Geo A McFadden, 936 tons, Wallace, C D Mafflt.
M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, C D Mafflt.
Lillie, (Br) 311 tons, Davis, J T Riley & Co.
C C Lane, 806 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Mafflt.
Emily F Northam, 316 tons, Dodd, C D Mafflt.
Jno J Hansen, 556 tons, Wood, C D Mafflt.
Edward Stewart, 353 tons, Mitchell, C D Mafflt.

BARQUES.

Holden, (Nov) 699 tons, Andersen, Heide & Co.

Presto!

AGONY FROM DYSPEPSIA.

A 25-cent bottle of the

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A single dose.

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It never fails to cure all forms of stomach disorder.

"Three bottles cured me after years of terrible suffering."

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DELAYS ARE DANGEROUS.

Constant irritability of the stomach invariably produces Cancer which is incurable. It is estimated that 25 per cent. of the chronic cases of Dyspepsia eventually turn into cancer of the Stomach. Why assume this risk? Our Remedy is guaranteed to cure.

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We would like to see the agricultural fairs and associations offer a good, substantial premium of, say, $50 for the largest value of crops raised on a small tract of land, from one to five acres. The time is fast coming when the soil must be worked better and made more productive, and small tracts cultivated in competition for such a prize would be splendid object lessons along this line.

The robins which have been hatched in the tree on your lawn and which have lived off the grubs in the garden and the fruit in the orchard assemble in vast flocks during the winter in the cedar swamps of the south to feed on the seeds of the cedars, of which they are very fond. At this time they are caught in nets by the thousands during the night when roosting and sold for about 70 cents a dozen, the poachers making from $2 to $3 for a night's work.

People get awful queer notions sometimes. Here is a lady who was told that the proper way to start an asparagus bed was to have a big trench dug and filled with old trash—broken crockery, tinware and old rubbers—covering this with earth. The bed was so made and proved a dead failure, as might have been expected. If she had substituted an old horse or the cats and dogs which the community could well have spared, the result would have been very different.

A western granger raised a colt sired by a thoroughbred road horse. The youngster shared the rough and tumble life of the draft colts in the cornstalk fields and winter pasture. At three years of age he was broken in, in a rural way, to drive, and a local horse buyer, seeing him, got him for $100. Being better trained and fitted up, the buyer sold him to a city buyer for $250, and the colt was then shipped to New York, where he sold at auction for $1,700. Good blood tells.

Saved from Terrible Death.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt, of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief, and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, January 25.—Cotton: Spot, in fair demand; prices 28 points higher; American middling fair 8.44d; good middling 8.28d; middling 8.18d; low middling 8.12d; good ordinary 8.03d; ordinary 7.83d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 3,800 bales American. Receipts 1,000 bales, including 500 bales American.

Futures opened firm and closed feverish; American middling (g o c): January 7.97@7.98d; January and February 7.95d; February and March 7.94d; March and April 7.93@7.94d; April and May 7.92d; May and June 7.90@7.91d; June and July 7.88d; July and August 7.84@7.85d; August and September 7.66d; September and October 7.09d; October and November 6.80d.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Highlander, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

CLEARED.

British steamer Oceano, Davies, Liverpool, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

EX PORTS.

FOREIGN.

LIVERPOOL—British steamer Oceano, 17,038 bales cotton, valued at $1,250,000; vessel and cargo by Alexander Sprunt & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad — 164 bales cotton.
W. & W. Railroad—164 bales cotton, 6 barrels crude turpentine.
W., C. & A. Railroad—418 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels rosin, 69 barrels tar, 90 barrels crude turpentine.
A. & Y. Railroad—71 bales cotton, 2 barrels tar.
W. & N. Railroad—100 barrels rosin.
Steamer Highlander—1 cask spirits turpentine, 77 barrels rosin, 109 barrels tar, 13 barrels crude turpentine.
Total—817 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 187 barrels rosin, 180 barrels tar, 104 barrels crude turpentine.

A Happy Combination.

During the World's Fair I bought a bottle of Cheney's Expectorant at the suggestion of a druggist for a severe cold contracted while on a lake steamer. Nothing has ever acted more pleasantly or effectually and I am never without a bottle.

P. L. MORGAN.

Chicago, Ill.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing of the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, January 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $3.35 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for hard, $4.25 for dip, $4.25 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 59c; rosin firm at $1.45@1.50; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.00, 3.50@3.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	3
Rosin	187
Tar	180
Crude turpentine	104

Receipts same day last year—15 casks spirits turpentine, 135 barrels rosin, 243 barrels tar, 18 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 14½c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market firm at 8¾c for middling.

Receipts—817 bales; same day last year, 828.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 87½c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 75c; extra prime, 80c; fancy, 85c. Spanish 95c.

CORN—Firm; 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5¼@5½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Money on call steady at 1½@2 per cent., closing bid 1¾ per cent., offered at 2 per cent.; time loans firm; sixty days 3@3½ per cent.; ninety days 3@3½ per cent.; six months 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5¼ per cent. Sterling exchange easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486 for demand and at 483 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 483½and 485. Commercial bills —. Bar silver 55. Mexican dollars 42. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 105¼; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105¼; U. S. 3's, registered, 106; do. coupon, 107; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132½; do. coupons 132½; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107¼; U. S. 4's, old coupon, 107¼; U.S. 5's, registered, 101¼; do. coupon, 101¼; Southern Railway, 5's, 113½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 90¼; Chesapeake & Ohio 34¼; Manhattan L 144½; New York Central 120; Reading 46¼; do. 1st preferred 80; do. 2nd preferred 61; St. Paul 145½; do. pref'd, 178½; Southern Railway 21¾; do. pref'd 83¼; Amalgamated Copper 50¾; People's Gas 101½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 39; U. S. Leather 7¼; U. S. Leather, preferred, 78¾; Western Union 88¼; U. S. Steel 11¾; do. preferred 58; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 32½; sales 6,500 shares; do. preferred, closed 104; sales — shares. Standard Oil 667.

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 25.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 9¾; do. preferred, 17¾ bid; do. bonds, fours, 67@67¼. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 109@110; do. preferred. —.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 25.—Spirits turpentine steady at 64½c; sales — casks. Rosin steady; sales — barrels; A, B, C, $2 45; D, $2 45, E, $2 70; F, $2 75; G, 2 80; H, $2 95; I, $3 10; K, $3 15; M, $4 05; N, $4 10; W G, $4 25; W W $4 65.

SAVANNAH, Jan. 25.—Spirits turpentine was dull at 65c; receipts 125 casks; sales — casks; exports 515 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 3,126 barrels; sales — barrels; exports 2,076 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 65; D, $2 65; E, $2 80; F, $2 85; G, $2 90; H, $3 15; I, $3 30; K, $3 50; M, $4 15; N, $4 20; W G, $4 35; W W $4 50.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of ten to twenty-seven points, which was hardly a full response to the sensational advance in Liverpool. In addition to these cables receipts for the day promised to be light and while tremendous liquidation was attracted by the initial advance, the market after some little irregularity ruled generally firm. The local bull leader, who was believed to be selling on the call, turned an aggressive buyer and there seemed a good demand of a more or less general character. The market developed a strongly upward tendency and before the advance was checked, March was selling at 15.14; May at 15.31 and July at 15 42. The advances locally were big enough to cause a temporary halt in demand. The market became less active and with liquidation light. Exports were very large and while private advices indicated a less active demand, holders were said to be very bullish in their views. This had a tendency to restrict offerings and in the late trading the market again became very firm, a local bull leader an active bidder, and prices reaching a new high level for the day. March sold at 15.19, May at 15.40 and July at 15.50. The close was five or six points down from these figures, but the market was steady with the general list net twenty-two to forty-four points higher. Sales were estimated at 1,000,000 bales. The Far Eastern situation was a factor in the midday reaction.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Cotton quiet at 15.25c; net receipts 23 bales; gross receipts 1,004 bales; stock 71,635 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady: January 14.93, February 14.95, March 15.13, April 15.26, May 15.34, June 15.40, July 15.45, August 14.83, September 13.69, October 12.92.

Spot cotton closed at 20 points advance; middling uplands 15.25; middling gulf 15.50c; sales 2,100 bales.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 29,168 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,632 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 33,155 bales; stock 785,717 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 51,039 bales; exports to Great Britain 12,981 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 33,-155 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,863,934 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,718,002 bales; exports to France 570,994 bales; exports to the Continent 1,986,697 bales; exports to Japan 33,685 bales; exports to Mexico 20,346 bales.

Jan. 25.—Galveston, firm at 14½c, net receipts 5,457 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 2,800 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 15.25c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 14.85, net receipts 49 bales; Wilmington, steady at 14½c, net receipts 317 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 15.50c, net receipts 143 bales; Savannah, firm at 14¾c, net receipts 3,363 bales; New Orleans, firm at 15¼c, net receipts 13,440 bales; Mobile, firm at 14½c, net receipts 987 bales; Memphis, firm at 14½c, net receipts 987 bales; Augusta, firm at 15c, net receipts 781 bales; Charleston, firm at 14¾c, net receipts 14 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Flour was dull but firmly held. Rye flour firm. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 94c. Options having a strong and active opening on a cold wave scare and lower consols, reactions under selling by small longs and talk of a bearish visible supply statement. A sensational break at midday on rumors of unloading by the big Chicago bull left the final market unsettled and weak at ⅞@1¼c net decline: May closed 91¾c; July closed 86¼c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 56c. The option market opened stronger with wheat but turned easier on fine weather and later was rather weak with the wheat break, closing ½c net lower: May closed 55c; July 53¾. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 45c. Options nominal. Lard firm; Western steam $7 70. Sugar—Raw nominal; fair refining 2 27-32c; centrifugal 96 test 3 11-32; molasses sugar 2 19 32c; refined dull. Butter irregular; extra creamery 22c; State dairy 14@19. Cheese steady; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12; late made 10¾; small white, September 12; late made 10¾. Eggs were firm; State and Pennsylvania nearby average best 32c Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5@5¼; other domestic 3¾@6c. Potatoes firm; Long Island $2 75@3 00; Jerseys $2 25@2 62; Jersey sweets $1 50@3 15; State and Western sacks $3 25@2 40. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $15 00@30 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Pork firm. Tallow steady. Rice steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3¾@5¼c. Cotton seed oil was strong and more active both for spot and future delivery on the improvement in lard products and stronger news from the South. Quotations: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 29½c; prime summer yellow 37c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 39@40c; prime winter yellow 40@43c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—A sensational break of 3½c occurred to-day in the price of May wheat. Sales of millions of bushels for May delivery by the interest that had been actively supporting prices was the prime factor in changing a strong market into one of utter weakness. There was a little recovery from the low point, but the close was weak, with May 2c under Saturday's final figures. Other grains suffered with wheat, May corn closing at a loss of ⅞@1c. Provisions ruled strong and closed 7½ to 17½c higher.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Cash prices: Flour was steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No. 3 spring 75@85c; No. 2 red 88@88½c. Corn—No. 2 45½c; No. 2 yellow 47c. Oats—No. 2 39½@@39¾c; No. 3 white 38½. Rye—No. 2 49¼c. Mess pork, per bbl. $18 40@18 50. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 39½@7 80. Short rib sides, loose, $6 50@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, —. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 87½@7 12½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 97⅞@92¾, 93¾. 89, 89¾, 89½c; July 83¾@83¾, 83¾, 81¼, 81¾@81½; September 78¾, 78¾, 77, 77¼. Corn—No. 2 January 45⅞; May 49¼@50¼, 50¼, 48¾, 49¾; July 48, 48¾@48¾, 47¾, 47¾c. Oats—No. 2 May 41¼@42¾, 43¼, 41¾, 41¾; July 37⅞@37¾, 37¼, 37¼, 37¼@37¼; September 33¼, 33¼, 32¾, 32¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $13 30; May $13 40, 13 55, 13 37½, 13 37½. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $7 37½, 7 30, 7 37½, 7 30; May $7 37½, 7 55, 7 37½, 7 52½; July $7 50, 7 55, 7 47½, 7 50. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $6 52½, 6 52½, 6 52½, 6 52½; May $6 75, 6 85, 6 75, 7 6 82½; July $6 85, 6 92½, 6 85, 6 92½.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Coffee—Spot Rio firm; No. 7 invoice 8¼c; mild firm; Cordova 8¼@13½. The market for coffee futures opened steady at a decline of 5@10 points following lower European cables but was soon steadied by fresh buying that absorbed heavy offerings by profit-taking longs and selling for European account brought a weaker tone and while the market was finally steady and prices were 10 @20 points lower. Sales 385,000 bags.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— The Winston board of Aldermen has entered into a contract by which the cost of the city's electric lighting has been cut down from $75 to $60 per arc light.

— Reidsville *Review*: The Hall Furniture Company, of Spray, with total authorized capital stock of $10,000, has been incorporated by E. F. Hall, R. B. Chance and Jas. T. Smith, of Reidsville.

— The Winston *Republican* learns that the authorities of Yadkinville have adopted an ordinance "prohibiting the smoking of a cigar, cheroot, cigarette, pipe or any smoking material in any store inside of the incorporation."

—The Standard Turpentine Company, which has headquarters at Blakely, Ga., has filed its charter at Raleigh, several Raleigh people being stockholders. This is the company that makes turpentine and all sorts of other products out of pine stumps, etc.

— The Hazel Creek Lumber Company, of West Virginia, has domesticated itself in this State. Its North Carolina place of business will be Saginaw, in Mitchell county. The capital of the company is $135,000. It has large timber holdings in Mitchell county.

— Mr. B. B. Witherington died at Faison Saturday after two weeks' illness of pneumonia. He was a leading citizen of Duplin, prominent in the business world and popular with all classes. His age was forty-seven years. A grief stricken wife and three children survive him. The funeral took place at Faison Sunday.

— An effort has been made at Raleigh by Col. F. A. Olds to ascertain the status of the Populist party in North Carolina, and what they propose to do in this year's campaign, but nothing can be found out. It is understood that they have strength in only two counties, namely, Sampson, where they have been exterely strong for ten yers, or ever since the party began its existence, and in Chatham.

— At Charlotte on Saturday afternoon G. E. Nicholson, of Cumberland county, tendered a check for $225 in payment for a horse belonging to J. C. Cochrane & Brothers, the livery men, on West Trade street. While Mr. William G. Ross, the manager of the stable, went around to see if the check was good, Nicholson jumped on the horse and rode rapidly away. Mr. Cochrane and friends, including officers, went in hot pursuit, but so far have not arrested either the man or the horse. Nicholson is a good-looking young fellow, about 24 years of age.

— A correspondent at Greensboro writes: To the surprise of everyone and the disappointment of reporters, when the grand jury made its report this evening of the investigation ordered by Judge Cooke of the college fire, and his further special charge this morning relating to fire protection in city buildings, his honor sealed the report in an envelope without having it spread on the minutes. It contains no reflections or criticism of any office, of the college, any individual or institution, or any city official relative to the fire at the college, or in regard to lack of fire escapes for the large hotels, city hall or other public buildings in the city of Greensboro. Recommendations and suggestion were made to the solicitor looking to certain investigations.

— It is said in Washington that there yet remains a probability that Hon. H. A. Gudger, of Asheville, will wear the title of envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the republic of Panama. On December 19, after a long debate in executive session on the subject, the nomination of W. I. Buchanan to his post of duty was confirmed, but to this gentleman is attributed an intention to resign. It is said that Mr. Buchanan had no special desire to fill the mission, and accepted mainly because it was tendered to him by the President with whom he was on friendly relations in New York. At all events the resignation rumor finds credence with the friends of Mr. Gudger, who at present holds the position of consul general to Panama.

— Hook & Sawyer, architects, write as follows to the Charlotte *Observer*: In the United States Census Bureau the city of Charlotte is placed on record as being city No. 241. By this is meant that there are 240 cities in the United States larger than Charlotte. The official census report gives this city 18,091 population, this is within the incorporate limits, of course, and is also the census of 1900. The population of the city has reached a figure far beyond the 1901 mark, and it is only fair that the suburbs of any city should be considered as a part of that city, as it is estimated that about 80 per cent. of the residents of the suburbs spend their money in the adjacent city, and it is known that all of the residents of the suburbs are more or less dependent on the city for their living. It can be safely stated that the population of Charlotte to-day is 33,000. This includes the suburbs of Dilworth, Piedmont Park, Highland Park, Chadwick, Elizabeth, Atherton and Belmont.

— "Your husband seems to have an exalted opinion of you," remarked the bride's aunt. He says you are his right hand." "Yes," rejoined the young wife with a sigh long drawn out, "but he's one of those men who never let their right hand know what their left hand does."—*Chicago Daily News.*

— "You serpent!" hissed the fair but angry daughter of Eve. "You snake charmer!" retorted the wise son of Adam. Then she smiled and, womanlike, forgave him.—*Chicago News.*

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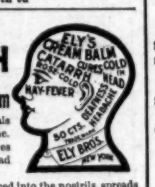

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.		STATIONS.	GOING WEST.	
2 Passg'r Trains			4 Passg'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 33	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	9 07	9 00
7 03	7 07	Morehead City..	7 53	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.05 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.06 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

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10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.06 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.50 P. M.	4.45 P. M.
†6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.50 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.

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NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	8 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 21 p m	9 52 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 35 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 56 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 28 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 05 p m	3 23 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 32 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 38 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 57 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 23 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	8 00 a m	8 30 p m	6 30 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 30 p m	8 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 48 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	3 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	8 10 p m	6 35 a m
Ar Florence	7 50 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 6 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar 4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

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Lv Wilmington	2 25 p m	Ar 12 26 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:19 p. m. arrive Lumberton 5:35 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:40 p m, Hamlet 7:35 p m. arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 2:15 a m, Pembroke 2:35 a m, Maxton 4:08 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:09 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:35 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 56 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 30 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 33 p m	3 21 a m
Ar Athens	3 50 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	6 55 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 00 a m
Ar Savannah	2 30 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 35 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	6 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 39 a m
Ar Norlina	3 28 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 55 a m
Ar Norlina	3 28 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 56 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	8 26 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 p m	11 25 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 10 p m

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Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 25 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnston St.)	3 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	5 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (E. T.)	7 54 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	6 29 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m
Ar Thalmann	11 24 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 23 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Ar St. Augustine	3 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 00 p m
Ar Thalmann	6 07 p m
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	8 30 p m
Lv Columbia (E. T.)	9 05 p m
Lv Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Ar Southern Pines	12 45 p m
Lv Raleigh	3 45 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 33 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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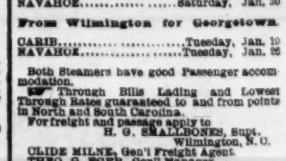

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 26.

THE SALE OF THE "HIGHLANDER."

Columbians Contemplate With Pleasure Prospects of Becoming a "Port."

[*Columbia State, 25th.*]

"The final agreement between the river and inland route steamboat syndicate of the south Atlantic coast and the committee on river navigation of the Columbia Chamber of Commerce, acting for the business men of Columbia, has been concluded for the opening of river navigation on the Congaree river and the operation of a line of boats. When the representative of the syndicate left here last week he carried with him the agreement, and he has wired that the terms had been formally accepted by his company.

"Secretary Watson of the Chamber of Commerce stated last night that the $12,000 steamer to be used on this line, between Columbia and Georgetown, is now being caulked and braced and made ready for her ocean trip in tow down the coast, and that this work will be completed by the end of the present week. The steamer will take the ocean from the port of Southport, N. C., at once, provided weather conditions are favorable.

"Already many applications are being made by business houses who wish the distinction of bringing in the first cargo. It is probable that the boat will come up to Columbia on her maiden trip loaded with a cargo of steel from Pittsburg.

"For the present at least and possibly for a year this steamer and others, if the business warrants it, will be operated to steamship connections at Georgetown. The committee on navigation has on foot a plan looking to the extension of the line to the port of Charleston, provided Charleston does her part. This would mean the operation of a fast steel ocean-going steamer from Charleston to the mouth of the Santee river, where freight would be transferred to the lighter steamers for the Congaree haul.

"In the next ten days all efforts will be concentrated upon the completion of wharf, transfer and steamship traffic arrangements which are under way. The secretary of the Chamber of Commerce will probably have to visit several important eastern points in the prosecution of this work in the next week.

"The boat with which the Capital City will become an inland port is a handsome one, of 130 tons burden, capable of carrying 175 bales of cotton between decks, or 1,000 bags of guano. Her machinery is entirely new, carrying a 150 horse power marine boiler of 180 pounds pressure. She is a stern wheel steamer, 140 feet in length over all and 26 feet beam. Her draft is only 23 inches. On the upper deck are the captain's office, the drug room, the steward's quarters, four large stateroom s and accommodations for 75 passengers. The rate of speed is 10 miles an hour against stream. At present the steamer bears the name 'Highlander,' but this will be changed The line will be operated by men of long experience *in river navigation*, and all freight traffic will be quoted by those who have made river navigation matters a specialty for many years, thus avoiding all the troubles that would naturally come from inexperince.

"All the details of the plan for the operation of the river line have been worked out carefully and when it is put in regular operation a few weeks hence it will begin upon the basis of an established line. Secretary Watson is endeavoring to arrange to take quite a party of the leading business men of the city down at least to the mouth of the Congaree on an opening outing, the trip to be taken a few days after the boat reaches Columbia."

PIERCING COLD NORTHWEST.

Mercury Many Degress Below Zero—Blizzard Raging from Kansas to Ohio, Snow and Biting Winds.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Piercing cold made the whole Northwest suffer today. The thermometer reached fifteen below in Chicago. The record here is twenty-three below and there is some expectation that a new low point will be touched before the cold spell is ended. One man was frozen to death in the streets. Stretching to the northwest, the mercury shows a swiftly descending scale, the minimum in the United States being at Bismarck and Williston in North Dakota, where the official figures are thirty-four below zero. The crest of the wave, is however, beyond the national boundary line, Minnedosa, N. W. T., reporting thirty-eight below.

Reports show a blizzard raging from Kansas to Ohio, the weather being specially severe in Minnesota and northern Michigan. At St. Louis work on the World's Fair was seriously interferred with by the cold. The cold is accompanied by snow and biting winds. Ohio reports that the cold has effectually checked the floods in that State. The Mississippi and DesMoines rivers are frozen over at Keokuk and a repetition of last year's flood is feared when the ice breaks.

WINNEPEG, MAN., Jan. 25.—For the past two days a terrible blizzard has been raging here, practically tying up the entire city. A number of persons have been frozen so badly that they had to be cared for in the hospital. Only three deaths have so far resulted here, although reports from the surrounding country tell of other fatalities. Saturday the mercury touched fifty below zero.

Real Estate Transfers.

By deeds filed for record yesterday Edward Swann and wife transferred to John C. Bossch, for $1,100, tract of 17½ acres of land on the south side of the Scott's Hill road near the two-mile post, adjoining lands of McEachern and others, and W. L. Jewett, Stephen Jewett and John S. Jewett, of Ocala, Fla., transferred to Meta Glass Jewett all of their right, title and interest which they may have as heirs at law of the said Anna Rosalie Jewett, deceased.

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FEARFUL DISASTER IN A COAL MINE.

Between One Hundred and Eighty and One Hundred and Ninety Men Lying Dead.

RESULT OF AN EXPLOSION.

Occurred at 8:30 in the Morning at the Harwick Mine Near Pittsburg, Pa. Only One Man Found Alive. Attempts at Rescue.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

PITTSBURG, PA., Jan. 25.—From all that can be gathered at this hour, between 180 and 190 men are lying dead in the headings and passageways of the Harwick mine, of the Allegheny Coal Company, at Cheswick, the result of a terrific explosion to-day. Cage after cage has gone down into the mine and come up again, but only one miner of all those that went down to work this morning has been brought to the surface. The rescued man is AdolphGorgie and he is still in a semi-conscious condition at the temporary hospital at the school house on the hillside above the mine.

In addition to the miners who were at work when the explosion occurred, it is believed by practically all the men of the rescue party who came up the 230 feet vertical shaft for a warming and breathing spell, that Selwyn Taylor, the Pittsburg mining engineer, who plotted the mine and who was the first to reach the bottom after the explosion happened, is now among the list of dead. All those in the mine are probably dead.

The explosion occured at 8:30 this morning and the first warning was the sudden rumble underground and then a sheet of flame followed up the deep shaft. Both mine cages were hurled through the tipple, twenty feet above the landing stage and the three men on the tipple were thrown to the ground. A mule was thrown high above the shaft and fell dead on the ground. The injured were brought at once to this city where some of them died since.

The crash at the pit's mouth startled the little village. The wives and children of the men below rushed to the scene of the disaster, but to gain no encouragement. There was no way to get into the deep workings. The cages that let the men into the mines and brought them out again when the day's work was done, were both demolished.

All day long there were was a jam of women and children waiting at the mouth of the pit. There were calls for assistance and for surgical aid from the men in charge of the mine, but it was not until 4 o'c lok this afternoon that the two men who volunteered were driven back by the foul air.

Shortly after 4 o'clock Selwyn M. Taylor and one of his assistants signalled for the engineer to lower them into the shaft. Taylor is still down there. Three times efforts have been made to reach him, but so far without avail. Thomas Wood, one of the first of the rescue party hauled to the surface, told his story of his trip through the mine. He said:

"I was with Taylor and we clambered over three or four falls. Taylor laid out the mine and seemed to know the way. There was one man alive at the foot of the shaft. He was sent up and then we took the mule path into the south level. We saw two men who were alive and notified those back of us and then went on. We passed the third, fourth and fifth headings and then through an over drift into the other shaft. I began to feel dizzy and sick, and then I saw Taylor stagger and fall. His lantern fell. We tried to lift him, but could not carry him up and I made my own way to safety."

F. W. Cunningham, mine inspector of the fourteenth district reached Harwick about 7:30. When seen by an Associated Press reporter just after his arrival, he said:

"I went to Greensburg to inspect a mine this afternoon and when I reached home this afternoon I found a bunch of telegrams telling me of this disaster. The mine where the explosion took place was inspected I think about the first of December. There was some gas in there then, but I never considered the mine dangerous."

An additional party of twenty has just gone down. Three of the rescuers when they returned to the surface declared that in their opinion all in the mine outside of the rescue party are dead, including Taylor, the engineer.

H. F. Hutchinson who gave out the lamps to the miners before they went to work in the pit this morning, said: "At 7:15 o'clock, the time when the whistles blew and when every one is supposed to be at work at the mine, I had given out between 180 and 190 lamps."

"That was one lamp to a man?"

"Yes."

"Did any of those lamps come back?" "Not one."

There is a light in every cottage in the little hamlet above the pit mouth. There is still a crowd about the mouth of the shaft, but it will probably be hours before the full extent of the catastrophe is known.

Another Account.

By an explosion in the Herwick mine of the Allegheny Coal Company at Cheswick, sixteen miles from Pittsburg, western Pennsylvania promises to add one of the greatest tragedies of years to the already long list of mine fatalities. Even the officials of the Allegheny Coal Company, the owners of the mine, do not know at this time the number of men still entombed in the chambers of the mine, 220 feet below the surface, but a conservative estimate places the number at 184.

Even General Manager George Scheetze, of the coal company, who is in charge of the mine, gives little hope that many of the men will be brought to the surface. The first ray of hope that any of the men had escaped the tremendous concussion of the explosion came at 6 o'clock to-night, when Adolph Gorgie was brought to the surface still living.

The explosion occurred at 8:20 o'clock this morning at the bottom of one of the shafts, and was presumably caused by fire damp.

It was 4 o'clock in the afternoon before it was possible to make the first attempt at rescue. Robert North and J. McCann, one of the engineers employed by the Allegheny Coal Company, tried to get into the mine by way of the stairs through the air-shaft. They managed to grope their way some distance, but were finally driven back by the foul air.

The main shaft into the mine, 220 feet deep, was made useless by the explosion, which hurled both cages, one of which was within thirty feet of the bottom of the shaft, through the tipple, thirty feet above the surface.

Shortly after 5 o'clock a temporary rigging had been put in place over the mouth of the shaft, and a small bucket, capable of carrying three men fastened to the tackle. The first try with the new rig was made by Selwyn M. Taylor, the mining engineer, who had been summoned from Pittsburg and an assistant, J. M. Rayburn.

A crowd of anxious men and women were gathered at the pit mouth as t e two men were lowered into the bla k shaft on the work of rescue. Slowly the rope on the big drums of the engine began to unroll and the two engineers disappeared.

Still there was no sound from the depths below except the occasional shout from the men in the bucket to stop while they tested the air.

Then the cage reached the bottom. There was a silence of fully forty minutes and then came the summons to haul up slowly. When the cage reached the top Rayburn was there and with him was Adolph Gorgie, still alive but gasping for breath and evidently seriously injured.

Again the cage went down into the darkness and this time it carried with it E. Taylor, an assistant of Selwyn Taylor, and also Robert North and J. McCann, who had made the first attempt. There was a call for volunteers to aid in the work of rescue and a call for hammerr, nails and brattice cloths to enable the rescuers to brace up the workings so that they can grope their way back to where the men were at work when the crash came.

The little village of Harwick that surrounds the mining works two miles back from the West Pennsylvania railroad, has been horror stricken all day. The wives and relatives of the entombed have crowded about the entrance to the pit, beseeching for news for loved ones below but only to meet with the same sad answer: "We do not know yet; if we find him we will send him home."

The little school house has already been prepared as a morgue and hospital. The benches and seats have all been removed and eight girls from the highest classes at the school have been impressed as nurses.

Doctors have been summoned from surrounding towns of Springdale and Denny and also from Pittsburg, but nothing can be done until further details come from the mine.

Mr Scheetze, the manager of the mine, said to-night to a representative of the Associated Press:

"The explosion this morning was terrific. Both cages were blown from the shaft, one of them a distance of over 200 feet. Three men at work on the tipple were blown to the ground and one of them is already dead. The other two are badly hurt, but I am told they are resting easily and may recover.

"There are at least 150 men in the mine and I am afraid that there are a number more, though there are several men on the pay roll who did not report this morning.

Latest Report.

PITTSBURG, PA., Jan. 25.—At 12:15 this morning Robert North and Michael Cain, of the rescue party, came to the surface and reported that Selwyn Taylor had been found alive and seventy five of the miners have been located, the majority of them it is believed alive.

SITUATION UNCHANGED IN THE FAR EAST.

Russo-Japanese Negotiations Have Reached a Point Where Practically No Progress is Occurring.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—Considerable tension is again observable in governmental quarters concerning the Russo-Japanese situation. This is due principally to the fact that the efforts toward a pacific adjustment have not made the progress which the officials hoped and expected. The general view of those highest in authority is summed up in the statement that the negotiations have reached a point where practically no progress is occurring in any direction. It appears that one of the difficult features is the mutual distrust and hatred which have grown up between the parties. It is said that every stage of the present exchanges develops Japan's suspicion of Russia's good faith and Russia's antipathy to Japan. Owing to this bitterness, diplomatic efforts to secure a middle ground are proving unusually difficult. It is understood that Russia is now seeking to secure the neutralization of the strait of Corea. The strait of Corea is claimed to be a vital outlet for the commerce of Northeast China, and it is therefore asserted that it would be in the interest of Europe and America to secure the neutralization of the strait.

The attitude of Corea in the event of war between Russia and Japan has been the subject of much comment among the diplomats here, and it is believed Corea's giving aid to Japan might constitute two powers attacking Russia, thus bringing in France under the terms of the Franco-Russian agreement. One of the ambassadors therefore asked Foreign Minister Delcasse what the result would be if Corea joined Japan and the minister answered in substance that Corea is not considered to be that kind of a sovereign independent power whose assistance of Japan against Russia would bring about the contingency contemplated by the Franco-Russian agreement. Although the answer was confined to Corea, it is understood that a similar view prevails that China's joining Japan would not constitute two powers attacking Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 24.—The exchange of communications between the Foreign Office, the members of the committee of the Far East, Viceroy Alexieff and Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister at Tokio, is still going on. There is no indication of when a conclusion will be reached, but a diplomat who is close to negotiations, expresses the opinion that the Russian reply possibly will be ready this week.

An authoritative denial is given of the report that Russia ever contemplated requesting the United States to explain the attitude attributed to her.

The Corean minister has received advices that his government will soon open the port of Wiju, on the Yalu river, at the request of the United States, to the commerce of the world.

CHICAGO THEATRE DISASTER.

Coroner's Verdict—Persons Held to Await Action of the Grand Jury.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—The coroner's jury which for three weeks has been listening to evidence relating to the fire in the Iroquois theatre, to-night returned a verdict by which the following persons are held to await the action of a grand jury: Carter H. Harrison, mayor of Chicago; Will. J. Davis, proprietor in part and manager of the theatre; George Williams, building commissioner of Chicago; Edward Laughlin, building inspector under Williams; William Sallers, fireman in theatre; James E. Cummings, stage carpenter; William Mullen, who had charge of the light that caused the fire.

A collision between passenger trains on the Burlington roads north of St. Charles, Mo., is reported. Four persons are reported dead and twelve others injured.

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THE SENATE HAD A BUSY SESSION.

Question of Appointments to Office Made During Congressional Recesses Discussed.

NUMBER OF BILLS PASSED.

Isthmian Canal Debated by Senator Morgan—The Charleston Collectorship—House Proceedings—Army Appropriation Bill Passed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The Senate to-day heard further discussion of the question of appointments to office made during Congressional recesses, listened to a speech on the isthmian canal question by Mr. Morgan and passed a number of bills of a semi-public character. As a result of the debate on the appointments question a resolution asking for specific conclusions concerning the nomination of William D. Crum as collector of customs at the port of Charleston, S. C., was passed. A resolution offered by Mr. Tillman, asking for similar information concerning the nomination of Brigadier General Wood and other army officers, went over until to-morrow.

Mr. Culberson introduced the resolution drawn by a committee appointed at a recent Democratic conference, for the purpose of getting additional information concerning the Panama situation. The resolution follows:

"*Resolved*, That the President be requested to inform the Senate whether all the correspondence and notes between the Department of State and the legation of the United States at Bogota and between either of these and the government of Colombia for the construction of an isthmian canal, and all the correspondence and notes between the United States and any of its officials or representatives or the government of Panama concerning the separation of Panama from Colombia, have been sent to the Senate, and if not that he be requested to send the remaining corrrspondence and notes to the Senate in executive session."

When the resolution had been read, Mr. Cullom conferred with the other Republican members of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and it was decided not to oppose its passage if the Democrats consent to an amendment providing that the President shall send the information "if not incompatible with the public interest." The resolution now is mandatory, and Democratic senators say that if amended it would be as ineffectual as other resolutions on the same subject which are on the calendar.

Mr. Tillman called up his resolution asking the Judiciary Committee to report what constitutes a recess of the Senate. Mr. Hale argued that the December nomination of Collector Crum was not a new appointment and the comptroller of the treasury would meet the question of the right to draw salary when that matter came before him.

Mr. Tillman read a letter from Secretary of the Treasury Shaw reciting the various appointments of Crum to the Charleston, S. C., collectorship, and giving the version that the last appointment was made precisely at 12 o'clock noon on the first Monday in December, when one session ended and the other began.

Mr. Hale said that matter was not of special significance, that the appointment is not a new one and that Mr. Crum is still serving on his first appointment.

Mr. Tillman said that Mr. Crum is holding office just the same, and, said he:

"I notice too, that Leonard Wood is sending out dispatches from the Philippines signing himself major general—and he is not a major general."

In response to requests, Mr. Tillman again read Secretary Shaw's letter concerning Collector Crum's nomination.

The letter did not state whether a commission had been issued, but said that Crum had given bond and is now discharging the duties of his office.

Mr. Aldrich made the point that this statement shows that the question is merely as to whether Crum is properiv in office and suggested an inquiry addressed to the secretary covering that point.

Mr. Tillman said, however, that he would not accept such a resolution unless it also covers the military nomination.

Mr. Tillman later presented the following resolution, which was agreed to without debate:

"That the secretary of the treasury be and is hereby instructed to send to the Senate information by way of reply to the following questions:

"First. What is the date of the first appointment of W. D. Crum to be collector of customs at the port of Charleston?

"Second. What is the date of the second appointment and was there any commission issued thereunder?

Third. What is the date of the third appointment and its character and limitations?

Fourth. What is the date and circumstances of the fourth appointment? Has any commission been issued under it? If so, under what authority of law? Is Crum now in office and if so under what authority of law."

Mr. Morgan spoke with special reference to his resolution directing the President to enter into treaty negotiations with the governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica for a canal on the Nicaragua route. Mr. Morgan contended that the protocols with Nicaragua and Costa Rica negotiated by President McKinley were binding on the United States. Mr. Morgan declared that the President had wilfully violated the Spooner Act requiring him to turn to the Nicaragua route in case of failure to secure desirable concessions for the Panama route.

He said there could be no competent defence of the President and characterized the speeches made for that purpose as "drafts upon credulity and a strain upon common sense."

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

The Senate to-day passed the following bills:

Providing for the appropriate marking of the graves of Confederate soldiers who died in Northern prisons during the civil war and appropriating $300,000 for this purpose.

Authorizing the erection of a monument to the memory of John Paul Jones.

Authorizing the use of the waters of the Coosa river, Alabama, for the generation of electricity.

Authorizing the construction of a lighthouse off the outer bar of Brunswick, Ga., and appropriating $90,000 for the purpose.

House of Representatives.

The House to day passed the Army appropriation bill, carrying approximately $75,000,000. The bill was under consideration for three days and was amended in a number of particulars.

A resolution calling on the secretary of state for information as to the number of carriages maintained by the government for the state department was adopted.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

WHITE MAN FOUND DEAD.

Bud Bell Clubbed to Death in Field Near Tarboro—Coroner's Inquest.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

TARBORO, N. C., Jan. 25.—Bud Bell, a white man, was found dead in Macclesfield, near Tarboro, Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. He was murdered the night before. His head was bloody, showing signs of a heavy blow just above the right ear. The coroner held an inquest over the body and the verdict was that he came to his death by parties unknown. No clue as to who committed the crime has yet been found.

MONITOR AMPHITRITE.

Arrived at Charleston After a Stormy Passage from Norfolk.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 25.—The United States double turret monitor Amphitrite, en route from Norfolk to the naval station at Guantanamo, Cuba, came into this port to-day for coal and water. She encountered heavy seas off Hatteras, the bow dipping at times ten feet under water, and the vessel being navigated by soundings, as the lights were obscured. A sea stove in a small boat on the after turret. She will sail hence Thursday or Friday should the weather permit.

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Marcus W. Jacobi, Walker Taylor, J. A. Taylor, E. F. Baily, Miss Mary L. Aldeman, Mrs. D. C. Love, Mrs. Ella Wall, J. W. Yates, Miss Adelaide Meares, Miss Sallie McLaurin, N. McEachern, H. H. Grant, Mrs. J. W. Jackson, Miss Jennie Bell, R. C. Merritt, J. T. Riley, J. T. King, Wm. Nisettle, Joseph N. Jacobi, Miss Mary A. Bernard. jan 24 2t

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Packages of large and small Cords, worth 12½ to 15c, this week 9c yard.

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27-inch all wool fancy albatross, worth 75c, this week 45c.

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Ladies' white embroidered shirt waist with trimmings and material this week 98c, $1.15 and $1.20, worth $1.50 and $2 each.

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